UNITED STATES COAST GUARD

ADDRESS REPLY TO

Commanding Officer
LTS French Frigate Shoals

Box 4010, Honolulu, T.H. 31 August 1951

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From: LTJG E.L. HAUFF, USCG (4083)
To: COMMANDANT

Via: (1) Commanding Officer, LTS French Frigate Shoals
(2) Commander, 14th Coast Guard District

Subj: USCG LTS French Frigate Shoals; relief of command of

Ref: (a) Article 7-1-25, Coast Guard Regulations
(b) Ind-12 to SEXTON letter 4-7-51, Pit-4/00, order no. 511183

1. In accordance with reference (b), LTJG Norman P. Ensrud, USCG reported to this command at 0830, 16 August 1951, and the following action was taken, in compliance with reference (a), to relieve the command:

(a) An inspection of the unit was made by me in company with my relief and the defects and peculiarities of the station were pointed out.

(b) The personnel were exercised at fire drill in the presence of my relief and myself.

(c) All regulations and orders in force, and all official correspondence and information concerning the unit and personnel thereof, were delivered to my relief together with all documents required to be kept or supervised by the Commanding Officer.

(d) The narcotics, armament, station keys, and combination to the lock-file cabinet were delivered to the relieving officer.

(e) A transfer-of-command inventory report of all registered publications charged to this unit was executed with my relief, in accordance with current communications instructions.

(f) The Committed Ration Mess was found to be in satisfactory condition at the time of relief.

2. With the crew at muster, orders of detachment were read by me and the command of the unit turned over to LTJG Norman P. Ensrud, USCG who then read his orders and assumed command at 1315 this date.

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1. The conditions as set forth in the basic letter were found to be true.

2. Regular maintenance has been carried out on the buildings but due to the temporary nature of the buildings, the general condition is poor. The main floor beams in most of the huts were badly rusted through. The half-purlins or stringers which support the sheeting were also badly rusted. The shotting although recently repaired is still in need of repair. The arch-ribs which are in exposed areas were rusted. Screws and doors are in poor condition. The fresh water sanitation system was badly corroded in several exposed places. Many of the buildings have sagged and/or twisted due to the elements.

3. There was only one distiller unit on the station.

4. Neither the engine in the self sail boat nor the outboard motor for the 22 foot dinghy were in operating condition. Spare parts have been ordered.

5. The main 1200 watt transmitting antenna ground system has been uncovered in several places by birds and turtles which are numerous on the island. This condition has led to possible displacement and breakage of the ground system.

6. Forwarded as noted.

N. F. ENSAUD

This report was submitted to the Commandant and concurred in by the Commandant.
From: Commander, 14th CG District
To: Commandant (OSU)

Subj: CCLTS French Frigate Shoals; relief of command of Forwarded approved.

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C.C. CARLSTEDT
Chief of Staff

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